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RESPONSE

Responsive to the Notice of Incomplete Reply dated September 13, 2001 (copy attached), the applicants submit the correct inventor is Keith Allen, as named in the Declaration filed June 20, 2001, in response to the Notice to File Missing Parts dated December 20, 2000. The Office is requested to see Rule 48(f)(1) which indicates that in the event the correct inventors are not named on filing a non-provisional application under Rule 53(b) without an executed Declaration under Rule 63 by any of the inventors, such as was the case in the present application, the first submission of an executed Declaration under Rule 53 by any of the inventors, during the pendency of the application, will act to correct the earlier identification of inventorship. Accordingly, nothing further is believed to be required in response to the Notice dated September 13, 2001, however the Office is requested to contact the undersigned if otherwise.

An early and favorable Action on the merits in the above is requested.

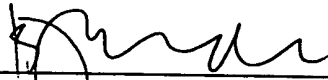
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NOTICE OF INCOMPLETE REPLY (NONPROVISIONAL)

Filing Date Granted

The U.S. Patent and Trademark Office has received your reply on 06/20/2001 to the Notice to File Missing Parts (Notice) mailed 12/20/2000 and it has been entered into the nonprovisional application. The reply, however, does not include the following items required in the Notice.

The period of reply remains as set forth in the Notice. You may, however, obtain EXTENSIONS OF TIME under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136 (a) accompanied by the appropriate fee (37 CFR 1.17(a)).

A complete reply must be timely filed to prevent ABANDONMENT of the above-identified application.

- The signature of the following inventor(s) is missing from the oath or declaration:
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A copy of this notice MUST be returned with the reply.

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